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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application for:

Adriana Dumitras, et al.

Serial No.: 10/614,929

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR IMPROVED CODING  
MODE SELECTION

Examiner: Y. Young Lee

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Examiner:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office action dated 06/13/2005. This extension will extend the time the response is due from 09/13/2005 to 12/13/2005.

- ☒ A three month extension to 12/13/2005 is requested; the extension fee is \$1020.00.
- ☒ A credit card payment form referencing docket no. APLE.P0040 is attached.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50 1128 referencing docket no. APPLE.P0040.

Respectfully submitted,

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